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Re-Viewing the Past

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The words stung and hurt. And more followed in angry denunciation. The attack was unwarranted, unjust, mistaken. But I did not reply. Instead, by turning my thought to God I found the strength to remain calm until the tirade was over. The incident passed.

But the memory of it did not. Every now and then I would find myself reliving the whole tongue-lashing experience. Why did the old feelings of hurt, rejection, disappointment, and injustice keep returning? Why was I—years later—still reviewing that event, reliving it in my thought?

Because I had not yet been healed in Christian Science.

How, you may ask, can Christian Science heal an event of some years before? What is done is done. What is said is said. You can't go back and change that.

Christian Science reminds us what we can do. In fact, it is not

only possible, it is imperative that our concept of the past be healed—now. For what is the memory of the past but our *present* thought about it? And we can always change present thought.

Christian Science shows us how. God is Mind, the only Mind,

and divine Mind is conscious of good, present good, and good alone. This Mind is the Mind of God's image and likeness, man, as the Scriptures imply. As God's likeness or expression, man can have or know only the consciousness that is God. The acknowledgment of this fact so changes our view of the present—and the past—that we see and acknowledge only the good and real now, and error vanishes as a shadow met and mastered with the light of Truth.

In fact Christian Science proves that we can so correct our misconceptions of the past that any event recalled and seen in the correct light can bring only gratitude and peace, with no sadness or grief or hurt whatsoever.

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When tempted to review the incident of verbal attack, I had to learn to come to terms with it from the standpoint of Christian Science. What had really been going on? Why, divine Love was being manifested, and each of His ideas, loved and lovable, was reflecting Love. Could hurt, anger, resentment, exist in the atmosphere of Love? No. Then and there, even as now, spiritual man was being man, and spiritual man was expressing God. The view of mortal man was a misconception of the spiritual reality that always exists in the universe of Mind. As I understood and applied these truths, I was healed, thoroughly and completely.

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People often try to suppress the past, repress it, bury it, or will-fully refuse to think about it. But suppression is not healing. No, the answer lies in seeing the past anew. The solution lies in correcting the wrong assumptions, the nagging errors, the false beliefs, and awaking to the true and spiritual facts, which are true of the man of God's creating now and have always been true.

Spiritualization of thought opens wide the chambers of memory, sweeps away the false mortal pictures, and reveals God's perfect creation. Reviewing the past in this way constitutes deep and permanent healing. Indeed such re-viewing is a healing of death itself in some degree. For is not death essentially a belief that good can stop bit by bit and finally altogether? Mary Baker Eddy writes:

"If delusion says, 'I have lost my memory,' contradict it. No faculty of Mind is lost. In Science, all being is eternal, spiritual, perfect, harmonious in every action. Let the perfect model be present in your thoughts instead of its demoralized opposite. This spiritualization of thought lets in the light, and brings the divine Mind, Life not death, into your consciousness."

Time is often said to be a healer of the heartaches of the past. "In time you'll feel better about it," we are told. The assumption here is that the further one is away in time from a disturbing event, the less impact it will have. It is the belief that one can "forget, in time." But time heals nothing. It only claims that one can bury his heartaches in a belief of distance.

Likewise, change of place is sometimes believed to be beneficial. "If I could only move away from here—away from this place, this house, these people, these memories—then the past would no longer haunt me." But one cannot move away from his thoughts. And many have sadly learned that the mere changing of place, any more than the mere passage of time, doesn't change anything.

What is required, rather, is a willingness to leave the old for the new, to give up thoughts of the past that are not true now and weren't true then. In Mrs. Eddy's words: "Willingness to become as a little child and to leave the old for the new, renders thought receptive of the advanced idea. Gladness to leave the false landmarks and joy to see them disappear,—this disposition helps to precipitate the ultimate harmony." ²

No person is a victim of his past unless he still holds the thought of a victimizing past in his present consciousness. As he willingly, even eagerly, replaces victimizing lies with the truths of God and man, a whole new view unfolds. He sees what is true, what is and was real—then and now. He spiritually corrects those memories and reflects on what was really going on. And the regret, remorse, resentment, simply melt away.

There are many examples in the Bible of persons who dealt with the past in an inspired way and thus kept their present free to express a full measure of good. Take, for example, the patriarch Joseph. Time and again it seemed he was victimized by the most unjust circumstances: forcibly separated from his family, sold into slavery, falsely imprisoned. Yet there is no evidence in the account that Joseph dwelt on the past, either in bitter resentment or in longing for what might have been. He must have re-viewed the past each step of the way to be able to say to his brothers at their reunion, "Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life." ³

Christ Jesus and his disciples often faced false accusation and misunderstanding, and he taught his disciples how to deal with these. When Jesus sent them forth to heal and teach, he gave them instructions to accept the hospitality of the homes and villages to which they went. But, he told them, if they were not received, "When ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them." Might not Jesus have been saying that they should go on their way without an accumulation of feelings of disappointment or rejection?

The Apostle Paul certainly had to deal with his past. A determined opponent of Christianity in his early adult years, he strove to wipe out the new sect. But when his thought was turned around in the remarkable vision he received on the way to Damascus, he did not let either remorse or regret prevent him from immediately moving forward to his new life-purpose of spreading the Christian

gospel.

As each of us sees clearly what was and is really going on—God expressing Himself in His kingdom of divine ideas, each in right relationship with the other because each is in right relationship to God—our mistaken concepts of a past of conflicting mortals lose their hold on us. The resentment, bitterness, anger, guilt, regret, grief—whatever—are left behind like an old coat thrown out with the rubbish.

As we learn to rethink the past in the light of Christian Science, memories become a source of joy, a mental recital of the abundance of good, and the mistakes of the past coming to thought no longer have a depressing impact. There is no need for any of us to carry around a burden of hurt or anger, guilt or regret, about something in the past. Right now we can correct—heal—our thought about it and review the past with joy for the good received and gratitude

for the lessons learned. And we can rejoice in the truth of the words of the hymn:

For all of good the past hath had Remains to make our own time glad.⁵

¹ Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, p. 407; ² ibid., pp. 323-324; ³ Gen. 45:5; ⁴ Luke 9:5; ⁵ Christian Science Hymnal, No. 238.

Patience: A Healing Quality

JEANETTE F. SUTTON

The expression of patience, charity, unselfishness, forgiveness, makes us receptive to the ever-present, beneficent government of divine Life, Truth, and Love, and thus contributes vitally to our

happiness and well-being.

One who has had many quick healings through the application of Christian Science may be tempted with discouragement or impatience if a healing seems delayed. But realizing that negative thoughts interfere with his response to the healing power of Christ, Truth, he will be impelled to discard them as false and baseless, having no place in his true, spiritual consciousness. In reality, man possesses spiritual understanding, because he reflects all-knowing Mind, God.

Disease or deformity of any sort, even if called incurable, is but an illusion of material sense, without reality or power, cause or law. Disease and suffering never become part of one's actual spiritual being, which as God's likeness is changelessly perfect, free from all inharmony. Evidence of disease must disappear as one courageously and patiently affirms and reaffirms the spiritual verities of God and man that Christian Science teaches. The Bible tells us: "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great rec-

ompence of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise." ¹

The exercise of patience and goodwill also aids us in solving the

problems that arise in human relationships. Patience, forgiveness, and kindness expressed toward another tend to harmonize a discordant situation, while resentment, impatience, condemnation, and the like, aggravate such conditions.

Unwholesome traits are not representative of the true, spiritual individuality of anyone. Those involved in wrongdoing or bitter controversy are, in their real identities, God's perfect, harmonious ideas, who cannot offend or be offended, harm or be harmed. To look beyond the material seeming and recognize that only good is present and in operation resolves difficulties.

It was his clear perception of man's unvarying perfection as God's image that made possible Christ Jesus' marvelous works of healing and that impelled him to return good for evil under all circumstances. How patient he was with his disciples! Although all but one of them deserted him at the time of his crucifixion, he did not stop loving them. Mrs. Eddy says, "The divinity of the Christ was made manifest in the humanity of Jesus." ²

Patience helps us arrive at right decisions. When we need to decide something important, we may feel disturbed and uncertain,

fearful of taking the wrong step. But God is the source of all wisdom and intelligence. When we cease going over and over the pros and cons of a situation and turn our thought to Him for direction and guidance, our decision will be a correct one, beneficial to all concerned. If it is necessary to make a quick decision, we can proceed according to our best judgment. Then, as we acknowledge that God, divine Mind, is always in control, harmonious adjustment will come about if needed. Mrs. Eddy writes in *Science* and Health, "When we wait patiently on God and seek Truth righteously, He directs our path." ³

There may be times when one needs to be especially patient with himself. If he feels he is not making sufficient progress in overcoming certain erroneous traits or tendencies, he may be tempted by thoughts of discouragement, frustration, or self-condemnation. Then is the time to recognize that one is not really a fallible, erring mortal, as material sense would have him believe. One can affirm

with conviction that he is actually a perfect, pure, loving expression of God, divine Mind, at one with Him and always reflecting His goodness and love.

As one patiently endeavors to express Christly qualities—unself-ishness, loving-kindness, charity, wholesomeness—he experiences regeneration and attains a sense of peace and dominion. The Bible assures us, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." ⁴

Listening for and patiently putting into practice the spiritual ideas divine Principle, Love, continually imparts to us, we find our daily living satisfying and productive. Mrs. Eddy gives us this wise counsel: "Wait patiently for divine Love to move upon the waters of mortal mind, and form the perfect concept. Patience must 'have her perfect work.'" ⁵

 1 Heb. 10:35, 36; 2 Science and Health, p. 25; 3 ibid., p. 254; 4 Rom. 8:1; 5 Science and Health, p. 454.

Recognizing man's spiritual completeness

The Best Alms of All

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Humanity's ills seem so widespread that sometimes we may not know where to begin to cure them.

Some think charitable relief is the full answer. A timely donation can for a time help someone in need or help give him a start toward becoming self-sufficient. But there is a more effective way to contribute to mankind's needs. It is to awaken the individual's thought to the spiritual truths that can lift him out of his plight.

Mrs. Eddy writes: "A certain apothegm of a Talmudical philosopher suits my sense of doing good. It reads thus: 'The noblest

charity is to prevent a man from accepting charity; and the best alms are to show and to enable a man to dispense with alms."

The spiritual truths revealed in Christian Science, when honestly and faithfully applied, can lift one above the need for charity. How? By awaking him to his God-given sufficiency, purpose, and resources. The Bible tells us, "God created man in his own image." There is nothing lacking in this image, because God

is the infinite source of all good.

Christ Jesus, God's anointed, was a humanitarian in the deepest sense—the most successful the world has ever known. He wasn't ashamed to mingle with the poor. And on one occasion Jesus advised a young man who wished to follow him to go and sell his material goods and give to the poor. But the Master went much further than this. His teachings prove that man has never left his original spiritual state of completeness—that actually there is no unfortunate mortal; for man—God's idea—is not a mortal at all! Mrs. Eddy explains in *Science and Health*, "When speaking of God's children, not the children of men, Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is within you;' that is, Truth and Love reign in the real man, showing that man in God's image is unfallen and eternal." ³

Mortal mind—the spurious consciousness of life in matter—may, for a time, render our healing efforts ineffective by impressing us with another's misery. While it's right for us to want to help cure humanity's ills constructively, our efforts will be limited if we become mentally submerged in the suffering of others.

However, to reach out with Christlike compassion and spiritual

However, to reach out with Christlike compassion and spiritual understanding to one in need does not bring us down into the difficulty. Rather, we maintain our God-given dominion while helping to restore the dominion of the one who seems deprived. It is the Christ, Love's spiritual idea, that touches the thought of the sufferer and aids him. Human efforts alone may meet an immediate physical need. But giving, based on the recognition of man's present spiritual completeness, can help another to realize the presence and power of the Christ, Truth, himself. This sets him on the path leading to increasing self-sufficiency, freedom, and dominion.

One can view lack just as he would any problem that mortal

mind suggests. He can see it as a lie, an inverted presentation of God's creation. Where deprivation and suffering appear to be, there is actually unlimited, spiritual abundance for all. This abundance is visible to spiritual sense.

It is our privilege and responsibility to see beyond the picture of deprivation, that is, to view the situation from a spiritual standpoint. As we do, we are in a better position to deal successfully with this erroneous belief for others when they ask for

Christian Science treatment, or healing prayer.

Mrs. Eddy says, "Holding the *right* idea of man in my mind, I can improve my own, and other people's individuality, health, and morals; whereas, the opposite image of man, a sinner, kept constantly in mind, can no more improve health or morals, than holding in thought the form of a boa-constrictor can aid an artist

in painting a landscape." 4

Doesn't this same metaphysical approach apply when we come in contact with one who seems destitute? Whenever we are faced with such a difficulty or are requested to pray for one in this condition, we must hold to the truth of that individual as God made him. We cannot let ourselves be impressed with the testimony of the physical senses in the case of poverty any more than of sin—even if the situation appears hopeless. Man is never for a moment deprived of God's care.

Perhaps in our own lives someone has been spiritually-minded enough to see our God-given dignity and completeness. We may even feel we owe much of our present progress to such a good Samaritan. How wonderful it is to feel divine Love's touch through someone so selfless. And how rewarding that we can do this for others!

We can all become more active students of the Science of Christ. Gaining a practical understanding of Jesus' works helps

awake us to our own capabilities to heal effectively.

No matter where our daily path leads us, there are people along that path who want to learn of their true being as God's child. They are yearning for the liberating truths of divine Science. It is the privilege of those who discern this Science to recognize their receptivity and help them.

Christian Science teaches that every individual, in his true being, already possesses all he needs. God created His children complete and perfect. How, then, can one be deprived of Godbestowed good? In reality he can't. Christ Jesus taught man's blessedness as God's beneficiary. He counseled, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." ⁵

for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." Mortal mind would have us help our fellowman through material methods alone, and would suggest that this is the only way it can be done. But the need now, as always, is for permanent,

spiritual solutions.

With the clear, Christlike recognition of our fellowman's present completeness as God's likeness, we are loving as Jesus loved. Peter expressed this love when he was faced with the cripple at the gate of the temple who wanted money. Peter said, "Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk." Then Peter "took him by the right hand, and lifted him up." Immediately, we are told, this poor, dependent man leaped up and stood on his own feet—whole and free!

¹ Miscellaneous Writings, p. ix; ² Gen. 1:27; ³ Science and Health, p. 476; ⁴ Mis., p. 62; ⁵ Luke 12:32; ⁶ Acts 3:6, 7.

Seeing Spiritual Existence

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How does one know that spiritual existence is tangible? Spiritual reality cannot be detected by the physical senses. A material mentality or mortal mind cannot conceive of spiritual things. This is why perception of the tangibility of Spirit may elude us at first. But as we understand through Christian Science that man reflects divine Mind, Spirit, that he does not possess a private, material mind, we begin to understand and perceive spiritual existence.

Spirit is the only true substance. Matter is a false sense of substance, a belief in the existence of reality apart from Spirit. Spirit is the only cause. Its effect is the universe of perfect spiritual ideas, living and moving in infinite Mind.

Our perception of the reality of spiritual existence is the stand-point from which we gain the power to heal. Discord or limitation can be healed by first understanding it to be a subjective state of delusive, mortal thought and then by realizing its unreality. Approaching problems as actual conditions to be changed, rather than as false beliefs to be dispelled, we will think our prayers have to change matter. And to the degree that we think to change matter, we will doubt, and thereby undermine, the power of our prayers. But when an apparent material condition is seen to be a false belief, the discernment of the specific spiritual counter fact of that belief—the scientific truth that destroys it—will make the belief vanish from thought, the only place where it ever claimed to exist. Then our healing work is done, and we have but to know that it is done.

Being concerned about what matter is doing hinders healing. Spiritual sense reveals the only facts of man.

This was illustrated to me once when my foot was badly swollen. I had prayed to understand the unreality of each of the mistaken beliefs about man claiming to constitute the problem. When I knew this was done, I watched my foot for signs of improvement. There were none. I realized I needed to look away from matter and be satisfied with spiritual perfection alone. Perceiving man's existence apart from physicality brought the realization that man is spiritual and perfect in spite of and independent of the claims of matter. I became totally unconcerned with the material picture, and the physical healing took place quickly. I had needed to hold a more spiritual view of man—to accept the spiritual facts as the only facts involved.

We may feel we don't perceive the substantiality of spiritual existence sufficiently to exercise the authority over error that we know is possible. But each of us can gain this authority. We can become conscious that God's kingdom is come. As we increasingly cherish Truth and Love, we come to understand the impossibility

of an existence separate from God. Mrs. Eddy tells us, "Man understands spiritual existence in proportion as his treasures of Truth and Love are enlarged." 1

To better demonstrate the nothingness of mortal beliefs, we need to increasingly cultivate an understanding and awareness of the infinite somethingness of spiritual ideas. These ideas are beautiful and deeply satisfying when understood. Worldly and personal beliefs are sourceless, illegitimate, fleeting. They have no structure, value, strength, or basis. Because spiritual good is the only reality and power, there is actually no evil or malice, no sin, sickness, or mortality. And there is no source for such beliefs.

The Apostle Paul tells us, "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Our spiritual sense increasingly develops as we think on these things, as we earnestly study, ponder, and cherish God's nature, and love man in His likeness.

Our allegiance to Truth during our daily activities prepares our thought for receptivity to spiritual unfoldment in moments of prayer. Whatever we love, trust, or obey—be it the spiritual or the material—tends to be established as reality in our thought.

When asked, "Which is the great commandment in the law?" Christ Jesus replied: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. . . . And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." 3 To understand spiritual being we need not only to love Spirit as our Mind and Soul but to acknowledge Spirit's likeness in others.

To illustrate: I remember one time when I had been trying to perceive the substance of spiritual being. I prayed to see that I was the spiritual reflection of God, having no selfhood other than as God's likeness. I prayed, knowing I was not identified by physicality—not a material personality. I persisted in this way for some time without a glimmer of insight. Then the thought came to declare the same truths for all mankind as for myself—and I did. Instantly I personal in a ways of insight the same I it. did. Instantly I perceived, in a wave of insight, the tangibility and infinitude of man's being as the reflection of infinite Love. I realized

the universality of the truth of man, man in God's likeness. I was

loving my neighbor as myself.

When we are willing to give spiritual ideas their proper place in thought and are willing to relinquish finite concepts of life, we will perceive spiritual existence more tangibly. We will increasingly see ourselves and others as Spirit's own likeness, as the infinitely loved expressions of divine Love. Because the Mind which is Spirit is actually our Mind, we can affirm that we are now awake to our identity as Spirit's reflection. Holding to this view of ourselves turns faith into fruition as the unseen that is hoped for emerges as a present reality.

QUESTION & ANSWER

Understanding is the basis of being the basis of seeing what already always is

(and what is that?)
God and man, including the universe
(and why is that?)
God is Truth
(and where is that?)
Here in the nowness of eternity
(and when is that?)
Now in the ever-presence of good

Understanding is the basis of my being the starting point of seeing God

MADORA FAY MCKENZIE

¹ Science and Health, p. 265; ² Phil. 4:8; ³ Matt. 22:36, 37, 39.

Goodness: What Is Its Origin?

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Some years ago I was speaking very appreciatively of a church member who expressed great kindness and goodness. My young companion, a new student of Christian Science, was in complete agreement, but after a while she drew attention to Christ Jesus' answer when he was addressed as "good Master." Jesus said, "Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God." At first this seemed a rebuke to appreciation of human goodness, but on further consideration I realized that on the contrary Jesus' words heighten this appreciation.

A friend, a fellow Christian Scientist, a practitioner, or a stranger may give joy, comfort, help, or great enlightenment to us. We feel much gratitude and loving appreciation. Good becomes more precious and lasting, however, as we realize it to be an expression of the true, individual nature of man, the reflection of God, and therefore not subject to the changing whims of personal sense.

In identifying personal sense as capable of supplying any form of good to us we are identifying ourselves as subject to the manifold claims of discordant human relationships, disillusionments, misplaced loyalties, loss, and a host of other misery-making circumstances. This is often hard to realize while we are responding to a very attractive or warm or brilliant personality. But if we consistently pray to know the individual, spiritual nature of man and the good that is of God, we will not find ourselves entangled, deceived, or hurt by personal relationships.

Similarly, in our appreciation of the compatible companionship we may be enjoying, let us remember that "every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." ² If we are wholeheartedly accepting the first part of this statement,

we will indeed find the second part applying to our daily experience of good. When we do not find such harmonious relationships in our lives and feel we need them, we can cease looking toward personality to supply this good and can instead look steadfastly to God. Study and prayer, enlarging our awareness of His outpouring of all good, will bring great blessings and joy.

When voting for government of any kind, we look for people who, giving intelligent leadership, will be strong, morally sound, wise, and problem-solving. Believing we have found these traits in a human personality, we often discover we are wrong, and are disappointed. But if we align ourselves with thoughts of God's government and His goodness, we will see beyond material personality

and make wiser choices.

On one occasion, when wrestling with a severe family problem, I felt need of help from a Christian Science practitioner from another locality, who would not personally know the people involved. The name that came first to thought was of an individual I found it hard to relate to, and my impulse was to seek a more compatible personality for help. But then I realized that the good I was seeking did not originate in personality and that it was a better understanding of God I needed, not human sympathy. I called the one who had come first to thought. Every word spoken to me and every reference given met each phase of the problem exactly and completely. In a very short time the solution came in a way that would have seemed impossible.

Sometimes we hear that the members of a certain church are very loving and that the visitor feels a great sense of warmth and welcome. The membership may well rejoice in this. The rejoicing will be well founded if it includes the recognition of these loving qualities as expressing man's true nature, reflecting God, and not

dependent on human personalities.

Where does the activity of church proceed from? Divine Principle. We can know this when our church may not seem to be expressing admirable qualities. We also need to persist diligently in this knowing when satisfied by the expression of right qualities. In the Christian Science textbook, *Science and Health*, Mrs. Eddy writes of the spiritual meaning of Church, "The structure of Truth and Love; whatever rests upon and proceeds from divine Principle." 3

With loving appreciation for the good perceived, we remember Mrs. Eddy's profound statement: "All that worketh good is some manifestation of God asserting and developing good." In this way we truly love and protect our church by removing it in our thought from the clutch of changing personalities.

And in the same way we can protect our own life experience.

¹ Matt. 19:16, 17; ² James 1:17; ³ Science and Health, p. 583; ⁴ Message to The Mother Church for 1900, p. 10.

Only One Self to Love

SUZETTE I. MITCHELL

Have you ever asked yourself the question, Do I love myself? Try asking it now.

Well?

Did you feel hesitant about answering in the affirmative? Did you have the feeling it isn't quite right to love yourself? Did you argue that it would be self-centered and selfish to love yourself?

The answer to that depends entirely on who you think you are. It's a question of identity, isn't it? Perhaps we might catch ourselves saying something like this: "Of course I love my true selfhood, which the Bible tells me is made in God's image and likeness. But ugh! This mortal selfhood of mine? I can't stand that!"

How many of you are there? Are you claiming two "selves" as belonging to you? Identify yourself correctly; then you will have no trouble in truly loving yourself. And the way to come to a true assessment of your identity, is to understand what God knows of you.

God, divine Mind, the one intelligence, knows man as idea, the reflection of Himself. You and I, in our true being, are this re-

flection. One God, and each idea an individualized expression of God. Mrs. Eddy states it clearly: "If we say that the sun stands for God, then all his rays collectively stand for Christ, and each separate ray for men and women." 1

Mortal mind, or the carnal mind as Paul described it, is suggesting—and it can never do more than suggest—dualism, that is, the reality of both the material and the spiritual. This is a very subtle argument. It was the serpent's argument to Eve, as a reward for her eating, or partaking, of false knowledge. The serpent said, "Ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil." Mortal mind—the serpent—presents the suggestion to our thought that man can be spiritual and material; good and bad; pure one moment, and sinful the next; well one day, sick and dying the next. It would give us gods, as opposed to one God; good and evil, as opposed to the all-embracing, totally spiritual goodness of the one creator, one creation.

This argument of two creations is animal magnetism, or in other words, the illusion of a false or unreal state of consciousness. The only effect of animal magnetism is to tempt one to think incorrectly—from the standpoint of sense testimony rather than from spiritual understanding, from the basis of doubleness rather than oneness.

In Christian Science we are able to cut right through this lying suggestion of the serpent that man is anything but pure, upright, beautiful, healthy, happy, fulfilled. Man has always been man—the spiritual man of God's creating—and has never been anything less. Identify yourself correctly as this man, and you will love everything about yourself.

It is important for us to identify ourselves in this way, to see that there is no such thing as a mixture of the spiritual with the material. If we raise our sights to see ourselves as God knows us, as He made us, we will take great joy in being that man. In fact we cannot put off the false, mortal concept of man—the lying suggestions about him—until we truly identify ourselves as the perfect man of God's creating.

Stand firm on the spiritual fact that there is only one of you. There is no such creation as diseased man, unhappy man, sorrowful man, dying man. It is metaphysically incongruous to put together such words as diseased, unhappy, sorrowful, dying, with the word

man. They are so unlike that they can never merge. Mrs. Eddy tells us, "The temporal and unreal never touch the eternal and real." ³

Identify yourself with the perfection of man, the perfection of Life, God, and you won't be able to do anything else but love both yourself and others. Jesus said, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." This isn't just a request, or a suggestion, that it might be a good idea to be perfect; it is a divine command laid on us.

It is interesting to note that Mrs. Eddy in her writings makes reference several times to this saying of Christ Jesus, and it is even more interesting to note how she refers to it—as an imperative command (see Science and Health, p. 37), "the divine demand" (ibid., p. 253), "the divine standard" (Miscellaneous Writings, p. 50), "this divine rule" (ibid., p. 85), and as "Christ's dear demand" (Christian Science versus Pantheism, p. 11).

How can we fulfill this demand? Through obedience. We can respond by being obedient to the requirement of loving ourselves—

and others as ourselves—to the need of being perfect.

How do we do it? Not through a personal, finite sense of ourselves, but through divine Love, the Love that encompasses the wholeness and oneness of perfect creation. We must love this idea of being perfect, and if we love this idea, we will work for it, cherish it, set everything aside for it. Mrs. Eddy tells us; "In obedience to the divine nature, man's individuality reflects the divine law and order of being. How shall we reach our true selves? Through Love." ⁵

Where do we do this work? Where is the area of operation, as it were? The only place it can be done is in consciousness.

The suggestion would appear to be that even in the realm of consciousness there are two—mortal consciousness and spiritual consciousness. So again, first of all, let's free ourselves of any temptation to believe this lie. Throughout the Bible, and particularly in the teachings of Jesus, the oneness of Mind shines out. The oneness of Mind means the oneness of consciousness reflected by individual man.

The more we understand the oneness of Mind, the more we understand the nature of spiritual consciousness. There isn't a single child of God who can be outside this consciousness. This

consciousness is our true consciousness, yours and mine. And we have full biblical authority for calling this consciousness the Mind of Christ (see I Cor. 2:16).

Finding our identity in God, with Christ, we begin to understand that our true nature is Christly, a reflection of God. Spiritual consciousness cannot express itself as a mortal nature.

As we submit our thought to the Christ, the serpent's argument of an opposite nature falls away from lack of witness. The seeming mortal consciousness is totally unaware of the Christ. Therefore it has no life abiding in it. But the oneness of Mind annuls the false sense.

Obedient to the divine nature, we are being obedient to the command to be perfect. From the standpoint of absolute Truth we are not having to make ourselves perfect; we are so already. We are being obedient to that which is already established. There cannot be perfect God and imperfect man. Let us claim our true being, our spiritual sonship with our Father.

Jesus' consciousness was inseparable from the Christ. Nothing less is demanded of us. His standard is our standard, his way our way. He told us to go and do likewise. We can't be robbed of our reflected divinity or separated from our creator. That which is established of God is established forever.

It is this Christly nature we love in ourselves and in our neighbor. And as we yield to our Christly nature, the human scene is transformed, uplifted, regenerated, healed. As we cherish this Christly nature, live it, express it, radiate it, we let our light shine. That light, which is the light of the Christ, will chase away the darkness of belief in both Spirit and matter, and the oneness of God and man—of Mind and its idea—will be revealed.

¹ The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany, p. 344; ² Gen. 3:5; ³ Science and Health, p. 300; ⁴ Matt. 5:48; ⁵ Miscellaneous Writings, p. 104.

There is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.

Job 32:8

UP AND DOWN

II Kings 4:18-37

She was already praying and comforting and holding him tight.

But as soon as her only son died, she went up with him.

Where?

To the prophet's room—to a higher, more spiritual view of God and man.

Then she went down.

Where?

In lowliness like the "woman . . . which was a sinner" to the very feet of the man of God, reaching meekly and fervently for even more of the eternal Christ.

When Elisha came, he also went up, twice, and down, Letting Truth stretch out his alert, submitting thought to see that boy exactly as he saw himself—God's emphatic reflection.

"Take up thy son," he said to her.

She, in great humility before the Christ-idea, accepted this high idea of sonship, and embraced anew her son.

We don't know much about that day.

It was probably hot, as usual,
with hundreds of others shuffling and rushing
this way and that.

But at least two of them that day broke
the common dimensions of horizontal matter-thought

To go both down and up in meek reaching for Christly heights and depths

that proved God's love.

¹ Luke 7:37.

J. THOMAS BLACK



"I swept the porch clean," said Mark, "and just then two dogs chasing a chipmunk banged the door open!"

"Did they tear the screen?" asked Mark's mother.

"Did they!" Then he paused. "I know I should have seen that the door was really shut." Embarrassment came over Mark's face. "It looks as if I've been asleep on the job. I'm always doing silly things lately!"

"The screen can be mended," his mother assured him.

Mark shook his head. "Some of my other fixes aren't so easy to mend, and I don't even know why I get into them."

"What, for instance? Are you still giving Mrs. Crump a difficult

time at school?"

"No, we had a good talk," said Mark. "It's Miss Gingham now just as I improve in one class, I get into new trouble!"

"Sit down, Mark, I'm going to tell you another story about

sweeping . . . '

Mark laughed. "You haven't told me a story for a long time!" "Well, this is a story from the book of Matthew in the Bible," his mother began. "An unclean spirit had been driven out of a man..."

"Out of his thoughts?" Mark asked.

"Yes, like your being healed of misbehaving in Mrs. Crump's class."

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Mark smiled, and she went on, "However, the man did not fill his house with good. He left it empty."

"What happened then?" asked Mark.

"The unclean spirit revisited his old home . . ."

"The house he had just been swept out of?"
"Yes," said his mother, "and he found it was empty, not filled with spiritual inspiration, so he brought seven wicked spirits to stay in his old home with him."

"And what about the man?"

"Christ Jesus said that the last state of the man was worse than the first."

Mark sat up. "Are you saying I haven't been filling my con-

sciousness with good?"

"In a way, Mark," began Mother, "you have been praying, I know, but have you been daily glorifying God and working to understand your relationship to Him?"

"Maybe I haven't. I suppose if I had, I'd be able to stop kidding

around in class."

"Yes, and you'd know you can stop it. 'Rise in the strength of Spirit,' Mrs. Eddy says, 'to resist all that is unlike good. God has made man capable of this, and nothing can vitiate the ability and power divinely bestowed on man."

Mark was silent. After a while he admitted, "You're right. I haven't been really praying. I don't think I expected a healing from my prayers. I've been asleep on the job. But I'm wide awake now!"

The next day as Mark walked to school, he said to himself, "This

is a new day. I'm going to glorify God in everything I do."

He found that day his classes were fresh and interesting, and they seemed to go by at double speed. In his art class with Miss Gingham he settled down and quietly and patiently finished a picture. Miss Gingham asked him if he would like to take his painting home. Then she added, "If you bring a long smock tomorrow you can work on the potter's wheel." It showed she really had confidence in him.

When Mother came to fetch Mark from school his face was glowing. "School was great today. Miss Gingham says I can work on the potter's wheel tomorrow!" It paid to be wide awake!

¹ See Matt. 12:43-45; ² Science and Health, p. 393.

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Casting Out Devils

Do devils exist? Some people believe they do. The newspapers tell us of today's growth of interest in witchcraft and satanism. Organizations exist in which the central purpose is glorification of the devil, and indulgence in the seven deadly sins.

Probably most people would reject the belief that the devil, or Satan, exists as a malevolent anthropomorphic entity with horns and a tail. But even while professing allegiance to God, or good, as the one creator and all-powerful governor of the universe, some may concede, as did the Apostle Paul, that there seems to be evidence to indicate that an evil mind or force does operate in the world to hinder, if not to destroy, good.

In modern terms this evil force might be called a downward drag, or negative gravitational pull, a magnetic, mesmeric force operating through human will to bring about evil consequences. Paul referred to it as an influence that made him act contrary to his natural inclination to be and do good. He called it "another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members." ¹

Mary Baker Eddy, writing of the true nature of God, the divine Mind, and of man, God's manifestation, refers to this suppositional opposite of the one divine Mind—or other law—as error, mortal mind, or animal magnetism. She says in Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures: "As named in Christian Science, animal magnetism or hypnotism is the specific term for error, or mortal mind. It is the false belief that mind is in matter, and is both evil and good; that evil is as real as good and more powerful. This belief has not one quality of Truth." ²

Christ Jesus cast out devils through the power of the one God—the God he knew to be all-power and all-presence. On one occasion, when he healed a man who was believed to have been rendered when he healed a man who was believed to have been rendered dumb by a devil, the Master was challenged by some bystanders.³ "He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils," they said. But Jesus pointed out the inconsistency of their accusation—that evil enabled him to destroy evil—and offered quite the opposite explanation for his healing power: "the finger of God." This term would have been familiar to the Jews as symbolic of the might of Deity, since the magicians in Pharaoh's court in Egypt used it in acknowledging the divine source of Moses' ability to perform miracles (see Ex. 8:19). There could be no doubt that the

form miracles (see Ex. 8:19). There could be no doubt that the Master healed through the understanding of God's all-power.

In his letter to the Christians in Rome Paul quickly followed his rueful comment about the seeming other law in his members, which made him do wrong, with the strong affirmation of God's love and man's inseparability from it. As The New English Bible states it, "I am convinced," he wrote, "that there is nothing in death or life, in the realm of spirits or superhuman powers, in the world as it is or the world as it shall be, in the forces of the universe, in heights or depths—nothing in all creation that can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." He followed Jesus' injunction to heal the sick and cast out devils by performing outstanding works of healing through this Christly understanding of the all-power of God. of the all-power of God.

What, then, is the other devilish power or law, which seems to bring us into captivity to sin and matter? And how can we overcome it?

Referring to the statement by one of Jesus' disciples that he had seen someone casting out devils in the Master's name, Mrs. Eddy says, "Here is an assertion indicating the existence of more than one devil; and by omitting the first letter, the name of his satanic majesty is found to be evils, apparent wrong traits, that Christ, Truth, casts out." ⁵ Christian Science explains the devil is not a person but the false or sinful belief in matter as substance; immorality; the lusts of the flesh; bad character traits; appetites; and other shortcomings and mental impurities.

These devilish characteristics, if allowed to develop, work havoc in

the human mind, dragging the individual into the mire of discordant, disease-ridden thought. But the consequences of this mesmeric influence are no more actual and permanent than the evils that cause them. Both the evils and their manifestations are destroyed when it is recognized that in truth the sons and daughters of God are faithful reflections of Him. They are purely spiritual. Their substance consists of divine Love's qualities alone. They include only right ideas and divine attributes; not a single evil trait or materialistic tendency.

When this spiritual fact is understood and lived, and the devils of false, mortal belief dismissed as contrary to divine law, healing is assured. The field of consciousness, cleared of negative, satanic influences, is fertile ground for the good seed of Christ, Truth, which God, divine Mind, has already sown there. As Paul said, "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law." 6 NAOMI PRICE

¹ Rom. 7:23; ² Science and Health, p. 103; ³ See Luke 11:14-20; ⁴ Rom. 8:38, 39; ⁵ Miscellaneous Writings, p. 191; ⁶ Gal. 5:22, 23.

Man Is Not Cellular

Early in his ministry Christ Jesus summed up his perception of life. He said, "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing." From the basis of this perception he performed cures unparalleled by today's most sophisticated methods of drugging or surgery. And in the closing scenes of his own earthly career he demonstrated that life, when identified as spiritual, not material, is indestructible.

The healing ministry of Christian Science works from the basis of this same perception that man's life and identity are sustained not by matter but by Spirit.

Current biological explanations of man regard him as having evolved from a single-cell organism and as now dependent on a vast operational complex of these organic units or cells. It is thought that as a rule these cells behave in orderly fashion, multiplying,

dividing, replicating, and renewing themselves healthily according to their own laws. But that sometimes they malfunction and cause diseases, which then need correction by material treatment.

Christian Science heals by an exactly opposite method, a wholly spiritual method. This is because it takes an exactly opposite view of man, of his origin, and of what sustains his life and identity. In *Science and Health* Mrs. Eddy writes, "Christian Science presents unfoldment, not accretion; it manifests no material growth from molecule to mind, but an impartation of the divine Mind to man and the universe." ²

Where does this leave the concept of a physical mortal who lives out his brief span between birth and death? What about that complex pattern of cells evolving through countless generations and believed to give direction to every mortal's history? These concepts are but a shadow of what man really is, but a confused depict mistakenly put together by limited material sense, which is by its very nature incapable of comprehending the ultimate truths of life.

Man perceived by spiritual sense is the exact opposite of a physical mortal. He is the truth, the reality, of man. His home is not in a cell structure, however complex and intricate. Nor are his life and identity dependent on the functioning and condition of cells, however many and varied. He derives from Spirit, God, who created him perfect; and he coexists with Spirit, God, from all eternity to all eternity. His substance, faculties, and functioning are all wholly spiritual; and they never malfunction, because they are sustained by the all-power of God, good.

It is from this basis that Christian Science heals by spiritual means alone the varied diseases attributed to cellular malfunctioning. The belief that man is physical, cellular, and so subject to disease is displaced from human thought by the recognition that man is purely spiritual and not subject to cellular disorders. The human body, being a projection of thought, then conforms to healthy conditions.

If man is not cellular, what does constitute him? Spiritual substance, spiritual ideas; that is, ideas without the least element of limiting materiality. Once we accept that man is created by divine Mind, divine Spirit, it's logical to recognize spiritual ideas as his basic constituent. These ideas are exact and precise, ordered and structured down to their very tiniest infinitesimal detail. They are

always and only capable of the most perfect and healthy functioning.

Other constituents of this true man are the spiritual qualities he reflects from God, qualities such as love, peace, purity, integrity, spiritual strength, and joy. Take joy, for instance. This spiritual quality is not dependent on outside circumstances, other persons, or particular place. It wells up in all its richness and variety from the very depths of our being, from God, our source, the Principle of all delight. It is a motive and motivating force. It is a potent element in maintaining our health, our energies, and our activity and in promoting constantly new spiritual development.

And now a third basic constituent. This is the divine laws that govern and control spiritual man. Spiritual ideas, spiritual qualities, always operate in accord with the laws of their own nature, absolutely precise and unfailing. Of the central place these laws occupy at man's very core Mrs. Eddy writes, "Man has perpetual individuality; and God's laws, and their intelligent and harmonious action, constitute his individuality in the Science of Soul." ³

Does it seem difficult to accept that spiritual ideas and spiritual qualities acting in accord with spiritual laws can constitute the living, intelligent entity we call man? Is it easier to accept that all the beauty and intelligence of life are the mere random end product of countless unconscious, nonintelligent cell-units operating in accord with nonintelligent laws? Surely of the two alternatives logic is on the side of man being conceived, created, and maintained by all-intelligent Spirit from its own spiritual ideas, qualities, and laws.

How do we gain the healing perception that will correct the appearance of malfunctioning cells? By acknowledging man's divine origin, his spiritual substance, and his wholly spiritual nature as a spiritual idea of the perfect intelligence, or divine Mind, God. By expressing, as best we may in our daily lives, the spiritual qualities we derive from this divine intelligence. By opening wide our thoughts and hearts to accept and love God's laws with "their intelligent and harmonious action" governing all of us down to the very last infinitesimal detail of our being. Then the healing power of God is seen in operation.

PETER J. HENNIKER-HEATON

¹ John 6:63; ² Science and Health, p. 68; ³ No and Yes, p. 11.

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Testimonies of Christian Science Healing

Though I never demonstrated Christian Science when attending Sunday School and even though I quit Sunday School during high school, I'd like to express gratitude for the Christian Science Sunday School. It instilled in me a desire to know God.

Due to my not really practicing Christian Science, I couldn't see the relevance of it in the world, and so I turned away from Science. Through four years of college I used drugs and drank liquor. But eventually the desire to know God, implanted years before, broke through and I realized with great despair the emptiness of my way of life.

During this rather depressing period I noticed the wonderful transition my sister was undergoing as she began to grasp again the truths of Christian Science. This gave me a strong shove in the right direction. I picked up my old copy of Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy and began to read it from the start. I remember being impressed by the logic of the book, but at that time I made little attempt to live and demonstrate it.

After about nine months I looked at my life and noticed that even though I had everything I needed materially, I wasn't satisfied. Then I noted the difference between the life I was living and man's true, Godlike identity *Science and Health* was telling me about (p. 548): "In this Science, we discover man in the image and likeness of God." I then decided to really dig into Christian Science and live by it the best I could, to see if it, indeed, was the way to know God.

The statements made in these testimonies with regard to healings have been carefully verified. The original testimonies and their respective verifications are on file for reference with The Christian Science Publishing Society.—The Editors.

I picked up Science and Health again and began to read it. Due to this study, within six months I no longer took drugs. I began each day to read the Lesson-Sermon in the Christian Science Quarterly. Within a year I no longer drank liquor. But even more than these healings, my life became joyous, rich, and good, as never before. The shades of gloom passed and an enlightened understanding of God came to the fore. Mrs. Eddy says in Science and Health (p. 6), "To reach heaven, the harmony of being, we must understand the divine Principle of being." I was beginning to understand, and from this gained a bit of heaven.

I thank God for this wonderful religion where one can gain a

true understanding of Him.

MICHAEL E. HEDRICK La Mesa, California

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Christian Science came to me during my childhood, and in the years following I have had many wonderful proofs of its healing power. Diseases usually connected with childhood were quickly healed. Healings of influenza, sprained ankles, a broken bone, and many other physical conditions have followed.

I would like to mention a healing I had many years ago while I was living in Central America with dear friends. At that time there was neither a Church of Christ, Scientist, nor a Christian Science practitioner in that country. When ill with malaria and a high fever, I asked my friend, who was also a student of Christian Science (the only one in the country at that time), to pray for me. At no time was any medication taken. The condition was healed within two weeks through our prayerful application of Christian Science. And I can gratefully say that there has never been a return of this disease. The healing was permanent.

I have also had beautiful proofs of God's bountiful supply, even in times of bitter need: I found a home in post-world-war Germany, when housing was scarce. I found good work when jobs were hard to obtain, and I can truly say with the Psalmist (Ps. 23:5), "My

cup runneth over."

My great gratitude goes out to God for His Son, Christ Jesus, who showed the way, and for Mrs. Eddy, who gave us this great revelation with the wonderful textbook, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures. I am indeed grateful for membership in The Mother Church and for the privilege of being an active member in a branch church. Christian Science class instruction has been an invaluable experience. It is my sincere desire that my daily life express my gratitude for all that Christian Science means to me.

(Miss) HERTA-C. VON NEUFVILLE Frankfurt/Main, Federal Republic of Germany

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Christian Science has helped me rebuild my entire life. Several years ago the *Monitor* advertising representative from a branch Church of Christ, Scientist, called on me to place an ad in *The Christian Science Monitor*. I did advertise my business for several months. At Christmastime, a member of the branch church called on me to buy a TV set. The model she was interested in had to be ordered.

Previous to this visit I had been ill with recurring attacks of epilepsy. Regular visits to a neurologist and numerous pills taken at different times of the day had not seemed to help. My condition worsened. Finally the doctor suggested I go to a hospital for tests. I was there for two weeks, and the tests were quite severe. During my stay I lost twenty-five pounds.

I returned to my business in a very depressed state. When the Christian Scientist came to my store for the TV set, she saw such a drastic change in my physical condition that she asked what had happened. I told her, then asked, "Can Christian Science

help me?" She assured me it could.

At my request she told me about God and my relationship to Him. She gave me Christian Science periodicals to read and the Lesson-Sermons in the *Christian Science Quarterly* to study from the Bible and from *Science and Health* by Mrs. Eddy. She invited me to a Christian Science church service, an invitation which I warmly accepted. I was learning to live one day at a time, and

to let God work out His purpose for me. I was trying to grasp the truths that I am spiritual, not material, and that the truth would set me free. A new contentment came to me.

would set me free. A new contentment came to me.

Although at first I felt uneasy about completely abandoning the pills, the Christian Scientist told me that one day I'd see I didn't need them. She was right. I didn't have the prescription refilled. I decided to rely on God alone and on this pure Science.

The attacks became fewer and further apart and finally disappeared altogether. I regained my good health and my weight. I again became enthusiastic about life and, of course, enthusiastic about Christian Science, which I apply every day. It has improved my family relationships and has helped in my business. I am learning to look to God as the divine intelligence that governs all my affairs all my affairs.

I am joyful and very grateful for Christian Science, and I look forward to membership in the branch church I attend regularly

and in The Mother Church.

HAROLD F. GREEN West Chester, Pennsylvania

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By being obedient to the first commandment (Ex. 20:3), "Thou shalt have no other gods before me," I have learned in Christian Science Sunday School that God will protect us, just as He did Daniel in the lions' den. God will supply all our needs for perfect health, harmony, understanding, and intelligence.

By turning to God, knowing that He is "a very present help in trouble" (Ps. 46:1), my family and I were protected from injury when we were in a car accident on the highway.

Another time, while I was playing backethell. I had a second

Another time, while I was playing basketball, I had a severe nosebleed. I tried to stop it, but the bleeding continued. Then, realizing that God was with me, I said, "God, help me." Immediately the bleeding stopped, and I was most grateful for this quick healing.

During the past school year I was obedient in turning to God for guidance in studying and preparing for examinations. At the

end of the term I had won several awards, including a certificate of merit and a service medal.

I am grateful for the Christian Science Sunday School, which I have attended for two years, since the age of ten.

MARTIN TERRY St. Albans, New York

I am happy to add my words of thanks for Christian Science. In today's world, where so many seem to be striving for power, I am grateful to have learned in the Christian Science Sunday School that God is the only power, and we should recognize no other.

Another thing I am thankful for is that God is the source of unlimited good health, happiness, supply, and intelligence. During the past school year I had the opportunity of proving this in my schoolwork. Knowing that God is the source of my intelligence, and therefore my intelligence is unlimited, in school I won science and scholastic achievement awards.

I know now that I can do all that is expected of me if I look to God for guidance. In the textbook, Science and Health, Mrs. Eddy tells us (p. 393), "Be firm in your understanding that the divine Mind governs, and that in Science man reflects God's government." I have attended Sunday School for three years, since I was eleven. I am grateful to God for loving parents who have a sincere desire for me to put God first in whatever I do.

MARK TERRY



[Original in Spanish]

More than twenty years ago I became a student of Christian Science. I thank God for guiding my footsteps to this blessed Science when all material resources were inadequate to solve my problems. I have obtained an ever-present help from the daily study of the Bible Lesson, from the writings of Mrs. Eddy, and through the practice of this Science.

Last year Î became ill and suffered with great pain in my body. This was accompanied by dizziness and nausea. Although I denied

all physical pain and made an effort to keep my thought on the omnipresence and power of God, the pain did not stop. I was inspired to ask for help through prayer from a Christian Science practitioner, who assured me she would help immediately. Within an hour the problem that seemed so evident yielded to the healing presence of spiritual Truth, then disappeared completely. And it has not returned. I am grateful to God for this demonstration of His power, and for the practitioner who helped me receive it.

On many occasions I have been blessed with divine protection. One time I was returning home after attending a meeting in a branch church; mortal mind suggested to me that I was alone in a deserted place, and since it was late at night I wouldn't have transportation to return home. I denied that suggestion of error, not accepting it as true. I pondered the twenty-third Psalm, thinking about each verse. I realized that God was present right where I was. I felt a sense of peace and great expectation of good, and this dis-

solved all anxiety and fear.

Suddenly a young man approached, sat down on the curb, and began to read a book by the light of the streetlamp. I asked if a bus passed by there. Looking at his watch he responded, "No." The negative response did not thwart my hope of having some means of getting home, for I was expecting God to meet my needs. Then I asked him what book he was reading. Showing me one of its covers, he answered, "The Bible." I felt great joy, and thanked God with my whole heart for this blessing. I told the young man I was a student of Christian Science, and that I loved the Bible too. This bond of interest was a comfort to me. The means of getting home was supplied in a completely normal way. It was a lovely experience for me, and a forward step in my spiritual progress.

I am grateful to God for membership in The Mother Church and a branch church, for His infinite good, and all the blessings received, for the beloved Master, Christ Jesus, and for Mrs. Eddy, who gave us the spiritual interpretation of the Scriptures in the book, Science and Health, revealing that God's kingdom is ever with His

children.

(Mrs.) Mirta B. de Rodríguez Montevideo, Uruguay Since the beginning of my study and application of Christian Science I have seen many proofs of Christ Jesus' statement, "With God all things are possible" (Matt. 19:26). From that time our daughter, who was quite young, was never again taken to a doctor or hospital for medical attention. So-called childhood diseases either never appeared or were healed quickly through reliance on God alone.

In her high school days she had a severe case of what appeared to be German measles just at a time when she was to go away with five other girls. We sought the help of a Christian Science practitioner's prayerful treatment. My husband and I were grateful for the overcoming of fear and anxiety, gained through learning to see her as in God's care. We also learned that tenderness and love can mean much to those seeking healing. She was healed in two days with no ill aftereffects.

I would like to share a healing I had of a painful eye condition. The eye was watering, painful, and I could not seem to stand light. This condition was never medically diagnosed. Instead, a practitioner prayed for me. Two thoughts from Science and Health by Mrs. Eddy were most helpful. One statement is (p. 261), "Look away from the body into Truth and Love, the Principle of all happiness, harmony, and immortality." I endeavored not to look to my job, a physical body, or to persons, but to look to God alone as the source of all happiness and harmony. This prompted the decision to leave the teaching profession for other worthwhile church activities.

The other statement, continuing on the same page, is, "Hold thought steadfastly to the enduring, the good, and the true, and you will bring these into your experience proportionably to their occupancy of your thoughts." This alerted me to be more observant as to what was occupying my thought. Were my thoughts enduring, good, and true? When thoughts are measured according to this standard, it becomes very obvious which thoughts need to be eliminated or not accepted at all. My mental view of everything was becoming clearer and purer.

It was time for our annual Christian Science association meeting, and I am grateful to say the doubt was never entertained that I would be able to attend. The day came to leave and we drove

off. I had to have my eyes covered. Halfway there, while declaring truths concerning my oneness, or unity, with God, a feeling of absolute rejection of the belief that evil can hold man in subjection came to me. Man was given "dominion . . . over all the earth" (Gen. 1:26), and that dominion belongs to all of us. The pain immediately vanished and upon arrival at our destination three hours later not a vestige of the problem was left.

I am so grateful for the dedicated prayers of the practitioner. I am also grateful that my husband became a student of Christian Science. It has strengthened our marriage and brought much unity in our dedication to church activities. We are both joyously serving the Church of Christ, Scientist, which Mrs. Eddy founded.

(Mrs.) DOROTHY L. WALKER Arlington, Texas

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Christian Science has blessed me and my family ever since my parents took up its study when I was three. I now have a little grandson attending the Christian Science Sunday School.

I have witnessed and experienced healings of almost every name and nature. When I was quite young, I saw a complete and permanent healing of a broken hip, entirely through the prayerful work of our family. Recalling this experience was a great help to me about ten years ago when I had a healing of a broken wrist. The break was apparent, but the intense pain vanished almost at once, after I had called a Christian Science practitioner for help through prayer. Then I felt the bones being set. There was no pain, just the most gentle movement. I called the practitioner at once to express my gratitude and to say that I wished to continue the work myself. I had realized that my need was to gain a better understanding of my unbroken relationship with God and completeness as His idea.

The arm was never carried in a sling, and every effort was made to use it in a normal way. Within about ten days I was able to type a little and to drive our stick shift car to and from my work. About two months later I was packing heavy boxes of books to be shipped abroad and using both hands with equal ease.

Two instances of healing for my children stand out to me. The first occurred when our daughter was about two. She became quite ill with a high fever and was delirious. My husband was not a Scientist and he was extremely fearful. I prayed to know what to do and immediately found myself handing him the telephone book and saying that he might call a doctor if he wished to do so. He replied that if I wasn't afraid to have a doctor examine the child, then he wasn't afraid to trust her to Christian Science. The complete healing came immediately. The fever was gone, and the child slept peacefully.

At a later date I was called from work to pick up our son at a public day nursery. He was feverish and afraid because he seemed unable to swallow. I took him home and silently prayed when he slept fitfully, declaring the truth aloud when he was awake. In the early morning hours the condition seemed to worsen, and I began to say "the scientific statement of being" from Science and Health by Mrs. Eddy. It begins with these words (p. 468): "There is no life, truth, intelligence, nor substance in matter." Our son began to say the words with me, although he couldn't pronounce some of them. I was astonished to find, after some questioning, that he had memorized them from hearing them read by the superintendent at the close of Sunday School. The mesmeric fear was broken, and the healing came very quickly.

The child had to be examined by a doctor the following day in order to be readmitted to nursery school, and we were told that he had evidently had a streptococcal infection in his throat. However, he was given a written statement of complete healing.

I am most grateful for the spiritual regeneration that is taking place for me. The great goodness and loving protection of our Father-Mother God has been evidenced in so many ways that I can never express the gratitude I feel.

(Mrs.) ROBERTA SCHWEIZER Santa Rosa, California



Related to the Lesson-Sermon for April 11, 1976, in the CHRISTIAN SCIENCE QUARTERLY Subject: Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?

My kindness (Isa. 54:10)

The Hebrew word chesed, rendered "kindness" in the King James Version, is translated "steadfast love" in the Revised Standard Version. The parallel construction of "kindness" and "covenant" in this verse shows clearly that what Isaiah has in mind is an invariable truth rather than a passing or fluctuating human emotion. Indeed, the divine attribute perhaps most frequently coupled in Scripture with kindness is faithfulness.

In righteousness shalt thou be established (Isa. 54:14)

The same righteousness that characterizes God (see Isa. 5:16) must also be reflected by His worshipers if they are to attain that stability which Second Isaiah has just described as "great . . . peace."

Vexation of spirit (Eccl. 1:17)

The frustration connoted by

"vexation of spirit" is not alien to the Preacher's thought. The parallelism in verse 14, however, between "vanity" (the Hebrew is properly "a breath" and is subsequently applied in a figurative sense to anything evanescent) and "vexation of spirit" suggests the appropriateness of the Revised Standard Version's translation, "striving after wind." The Hebrew word ruach may be translated either "spirit" or "wind."

The snares of death prevented me (Ps. 18:5)

"Prevented" is here used in its archaic sense, "came before in order to forestall or frustrate."

He gave them power (Matt. 10:1)

The Greek word (eksousia) translated "power" here refers to authorization, not to the conferring upon the disciples of an inherent ability or power they had not previously possessed. The Revised Standard Version translates, "gave them authority."

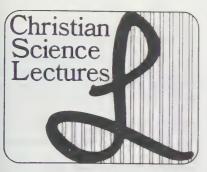
Go not into the way of the Gentiles (Matt. 10:5)

That this was not Jesus' final instruction is shown by Acts 1:8.

Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth (Isa. 45:22)

In Hebrew syntax the construction of two imperatives connected by and is a standard way of expressing the conditional. Here salvation is made conditional upon obedience to the command "Look unto me" (literally, "turn unto me").

The Lesson-Sermons contain Bible references (King James Version) and correlative passages from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy.



Everyone is cordially invited to these free lectures.

‡ Indicates Children's Room available during lectures. Details should be obtained locally.

ENGLAND

DORSET—Parkstone (First, Poole): Church, Church Rd., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 26. "Use Your Spiritual Power" (Henderson)

EAST SUSSEX—Eastbourne: Town Hall, Grove Rd., 3 p.m., Sat., May 1. "Use Your Spiritual Power" (Henderson)

GREATER MANCHESTER—Rochdale:

Champness Hall, Drake St., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 29. "The Power of God" (Rivas)

LANCASHIRE—Morecambe and Heysham: Church, 131 Balmoral Rd., 3.30 p.m., Sat., May 1. "The Power of God" (Rivas)

LONDON—London (Thirteenth): Fulham Old Town Hall, Fulham Broadway, 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 27. "Use Your Spiritual Power" (Henderson)

MERSEYSIDE—Liverpool (Third): Bluecoat Hall, School Ln., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 26.‡ "What's Your Greatest Need?" (Alton)

Southport: Church, Lord St., W., 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 30. "The Power of God" (Rivas)

SURREY—Woking: Rhoda McGaw Theatre, Woking Centre Halls, 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 29.‡ "Justice Under God's Care" (Henderson)

WARWICKSHIRE—Warwick (First, Leamington Spa): Council Chamber, Shire Hall, Market Pl., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 27.‡ "The Power of God" (Rivas) WEST SUSSEX—Shoreham-by-Sea (First, Hove): Shoreham Community Centre Hall, Pond Rd., 7.30 p.m., Fri., Apr. 30. "Use Your Spiritual Power" (Henderson)

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Douglas: Villa Marina, Broadway, 7.30 p.m., Tues., Apr. 27. "God's Power at Hand" (Alton)

NORTHERN IRELAND

COUNTY ANTRIM—Belfast: Church, University Ave., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 29. "How to Love and Be Loved" (Alton)

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

COUNTY DUBLIN—Dun Laoghaire (First, Dublin): Mezzanine Rm., Royal Marine Hotel, 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 30. "What's Your Greatest Need?" (Alton)

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Bonn: Universität Bonn, Theatersaal, 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 27. In German. "Ever Protected" (Schindler)

Cologne: Wallraf-Richartz-Museum, Rechtschule, nr. Cathedral, 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 29. In German. "Ever Protected" (Schindler)

Esslingen: Stadthalle, 21 Grabbrunnenstr., 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 30. In German. "Ever Protected" (Schindler)

NEW ZEALAND

Auckland: Town Hall Concert Chamber, Queen St., 3 p.m., Sun., May 16. "Heaven or Hell?" (Rogers)

Hastings: Orange Hall, Lyndon Rd., E., 8 p.m., Sat., May 8. "Heaven or Hell?" (Rogers)

Paraparaumu: Kapiti College Hall, Raumati Beach, 3 p.m., Sun., May 2.‡ "Heaven or Hell?" (Rogers)

Tauranga: Church, 18th Ave. and Devonport Rd., 8 p.m., Thurs., May 13. "Become What You Are!" (Rogers)

URUGUAY

Montevideo (Third): See local notice for place and hour. Tues., May 11. In Spanish. "What It Takes to Heal" (Spencer)

UNITED STATES

(Week of April 11 to 17, some earlier dates, and a later date)

ALASKA—Juneau: Marie Drake Jr. High Planetarium, Glacier Ave., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 20. "Safe in God's Care" (Williams) CALIFORNIA—Angels Camp: Church,

Vallecito and Depot Rds., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12. "Where in the World Is God?" (McClain)

Bakersfield (First): See local notice for place. 12 m., Fri., Apr. 16. "The Evidence: True or False?" (Tyc)

Cambria: Veteran's Memorial Hall, N. Main St., 7.30 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ "Who Do You Think You Are?" (Livezey)

Carmel: Sunset Center, San Carlos and Ninth Ave., 12 m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Liberation Through Christ" (Anwandter)

Concord: Church, 1630 Grant St., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "Liberation Through Christ" (Anwandter)

Corona: United Methodist Church, 114 E. Tenth St., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "The Evidence: True or False?" (Tyc)

Laguna Hills: United Methodist Church, 24442 Moulton Pkwy., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13.‡ "Stay on the Beam" (Tyc)

Lodi: Woman's Club House, 325 W. Pine, 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "Christian Science: Its Healing Practice" (Kenyon)

Los Angeles (Fourth): Church, 5206 N. Figueroa St., Highland Park, 2.30 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "Your Unlimited Opportunities" (McGrew)

Los Angeles (Ninth): Church, 433 S. Normandie Ave., 3 p.m., Sat., Apr. 17.‡ "The Liberating Protests of Truth" (Kenyon)

Los Angeles (Thirteenth): Church, 1750 N. Edgemont St., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ "Christian Science: Its Healing Practice" (Kenyon) Los Angeles (Fourteenth): Church, 3690 Motor Ave., Palms, 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "Your Unlimited Opportunities" (McGrew) Los Angeles (Seventeenth): Church, 1401

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Marysville: High School, South Campus Auditorium, 18th and B St., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ "The Spiritual Viewpoint" (Correll)

Modesto (First): Church, 225 Downey Ave., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "Why Spiritual Healing?" (McClain)

Mountain View: Community Center, 201 S. Rengstorff, 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Who Do You Think You Are?" (Livezey)

Oakhurst: Church, Hwy. 49 and Redbud Dr., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "Christian Science: Its Healing Practice" (Kenyon)

Oakland (joint lecture): Paramount Theatre, 2025 Broadway, 1 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Let My People Go" (White)

Portola: Church, 461 Nevada St., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12. "Liberation Through Christ" (Anwandter)

Poway: Church, 16315 Pomerado Rd., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11. "Let Your Basis Be Love" (Livezey)

Redding: Civic Auditorium, Auditorium Dr., off Hwy. 44 Frwy., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13. "The Complete Man and Woman" (Heafer)

Rosemead: Church, 3027 N. Del Mar Ave., nr. Garvey Ave., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12. "Stay on the Beam" (Tyc)

Sacramento (First): Senator Hotel, Empire Rm., 12th and L Sts., 1 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Why Spiritual Healing?" (McClain)

San Francisco (Fourth): Church, 300 Funston Ave., 2.30 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "The Spiritual Viewpoint" (Correll)

San Marino: Church, 1070 Huntington Dr., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ "Your Unlimited Opportunities" (McGrew)

San Mateo (First): Church, 150 N. El Camino Real, 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 5.‡ "The Spiritual Viewpoint" (Correll)

Santa Ana: Church, 920 N. Main St., 10.30 a.m., Sat., Apr. 17.‡ "Your Unlimited Opportunities" (McGrew) CALIFORNIA (continued)

Santa Barbara: Church, 120 E. Valerio St., 12.10 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Your Unlimited Opportunities" (McGrew) Santa Maria: Church, 841 F. Boone St.

Santa Maria: Church, 841 E. Boone St., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13. "Who Do You Think You Are?" (Livezey)

Santa Rosa: El Rancho Tropicana, Rainbow Rm., 2200 Santa Rosa Ave., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13.‡ "The Spiritual Viewpoint" (Correll)

Seal Beach: McGaugh School, Bolas Ave. and Seal Beach Blvd., 3 p.m., Sat., Apr. 17.‡ "Where in the World Is God?" (McClain)

Solvang: Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1745 Mission Dr., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ "Where in the World Is God?" (McClain)

Sonoma: Veterans Memorial Auditorium, 126 First St., W., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "The Human and the Divine Economy" (White)

Sun Valley (Twenty-second, Los Angeles): Church, 10651 Vinedale St., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15. "Stay on the Beam" (Tyc)

Ukiah: Church, 204 S. Oak St., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11. "Accept Only the True" (Heafer)

Vacaville: Saturday Club, 125 W. Kendall, 11 a.m., Sat., Apr. 17.‡ "The Human and the Divine Economy" (White)

Vallejo: Church, 733 Kentucky St., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13.‡ "Why Spiritual Healing?" (McClain)

Ventura (First): Church, 700 E. Main St., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "Who Do You Think You Are?" (Livezey)

Walnut Creek (First): Church, 2 Eckley Ln., 11 a.m., Sat., Apr. 17.‡ "Who Do You Think You Are?" (Livezey)

FLORIDA—Lauderdale-by-the-Sea: Church, 251 Commercial Blvd., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13.‡ "God Is Where You Are" (Girardin)

Opa-Locka: United Methodist Church, 630 Sharar Ave., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11. "God Is Where You Are" (Girardin)

St. Petersburg (First): Gateway Mall Theater, 7885 Ninth St., N., 11 a.m., Sat., Apr. 17. "God Is Where You Are" (Girardin) ILLINOIS—Chicago (Thirteenth): Church, 10317 Longwood Dr., 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "The Way of Abundant Life" (Wavro)

Lincoln: Church, Pekin St. and College Ave., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11. "You're a Freeman!" (Linnig)

Northbrook: Greenbriar School, 1225 Greenbriar Ln., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13.‡ "The Way of Abundant Life" (Wavro) Oak Park (First): Church, 200 N. Oak Park Ave., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ "Time Enough" (Wavro)

INDIANA—Franklin: Church, 51 S. Water St., 3.30 p.m., Sat., Apr. 17.‡ "Protection Where Lions Lurk" (Wood)

Kokomo: Church, 300 E. Mulberry St., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "How Secure Are You?" (Wavro)

Logansport: Church, Ninth and North Sts., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "You're a Freeman!" (Linnig)

Muncie: Church, 326 W. Charles St. and Liberty, 12.15 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Deathless Life" (Curtis)

New Castle: Church, 422 S. 14th St., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13. "You're a Freeman!" (Linnig)

Richmond: McGuire Hall, Whitewater Blvd., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15. "Deathless Life" (Curtis)

West Lafayette: Church, 610 Meridian St., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "How Secure Are You?" (Wavro)

KENTUCKY—Bowling Green: Church, 2033 Nashville Rd., 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16. "Protection Where Lions Lurk" (Wood)

Fulton: Church, 211 Carr St., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ "Protection Where Lions Lurk" (Wood)

LOUISIANA—New Orleans (Fifth): Braniff Place, 1500 Canal St., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11. "Protection Where Lions Lurk" (Wood)

MICHIGAN—Cheboygan: Cheboygan High School, Lincoln Ave., 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16. See local notice for title. (Pike)

Milford: Johnson School, 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 9. "Individualizing God's Power" (Pickett)

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MICHIGAN (continued)

Saginaw: Church, Hayden and Warren Sts., 8 p.m., Thurs., Apr. 15.‡ See local notice for title. (Pike)

MISSISSIPPI—Greenville: Church, Main and Robertshaw Sts., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13. "Protection Where Lions Lurk" (Wood)

Natchez: Ramada Hilltop, 130 John R. Junkin Dr., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12. "Protection Where Lions Lurk" (Wood)

NEVADA—Reno: Holiday Inn-Downtown, 1000 E. Sixth St., 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16. "The Spiritual Viewpoint" (Correll)

NEW JERSEY—Ridgewood: Benjamin Franklin Junior High, Van Dien Ave., 3.30 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ See local notice for title. (Pike)

NEW YORK—Jamestown: Church, Prendergast Ave. and E. Fourth St., 8.15 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "Ageless Youth" (Driver)

NORTH CAROLINA—Charlotte: Church, 1048 E. Morehead St., 8 p.m., Tues., Apr. 13.‡ "What Are Our Values?" (Gladhorn)

Greensboro: Town Hall, Coliseum Complex, 1921 W. Lee St., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "What Are Our Values?" (Gladhorn)

Greenville: See local notice for place and hour. Sun., Apr. 11. "What Are Our Values?" (Gladhorn)

Hendersonville: Holiday Inn, I-26 and Hwy. 64, 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "What Are Our Values?" (Gladhorn)

OHIO—Ashtabula: Church, 1030 Bunker Hill Rd., 3.30 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11. "Ageless Youth" (Driver)

Athens: Church, 15 S. Congress St., 3 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11. "Individualizing God's Power" (Pickett)

Columbus (joint lecture): Ohio Theater, 39 E. State St., 12 m., Fri., Apr. 16. "You're a Freeman!" (Linnig)

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Newark: Church, Hudson Ave. and Wyoming St., 8 p.m., Mon., Apr. 12.‡ "Deathless Life" (Curtis)

Oberlin: Church, Main and Lorain Sts. (jct. Rtes. 58 and 10), 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Ageless Youth" (Driver)

Steubenville: Church, 600 Lovers Ln. and Southeast Dr., 3.15 p.m., Sun., Apr. 11.‡ "Deathless Life" (Curtis)

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WEST VIRGINIA—St. Albans: St. Albans Library, Sixth Ave. and Fourth St., 8 p.m., Fri., Apr. 16.‡ "Individualizing God's Power" (Pickett)

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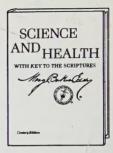
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